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In re Patent Application of) **BOX: RCE**
Stephen M. BOYLE et al.) Group Art Unit: 1645
Application No.: 09/692,623) Examiner: Jennifer E. Graser
Filed: October 20, 2000) Confirmation No.: 2200
For: AN OVER-EXPRESSING)
HOMOLOGOUS ANTIGEN)
VACCINE AND A METHOD OF)
MAKING THE SAME)

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REPLY AND AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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Sir:

In complete response to the Office Action mailed November 19, 2002, and the Advisory Action mailed February 25, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows. This Reply & Amendment is submitted concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claim 26, without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend Claim 24 as follows:

24. (Three Times Amended) A method for immunization, prophylaxis or treatment of a vertebrate at risk of or suffering from a disease caused by a pathogenic micro-organism comprising the steps of:

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